

Woody Fire Update

Thursday June 15, 12:30 p.m.

The 100-acre Woody Fire located southwest of Flagstaff was declared 100% contained by city fire officials at the public meeting held at Flagstaff High School at 10 am today. According to Jim Wheeler, Flagstaff Assistant Fire Chief, "The fire initial attack strategies are what saved the day. We were prepared and we stopped it". With a containment line around the perimeter, crews continue to extinguish hot spots and mop up interior areas of the fire.

Approximately 1000 homes were evacuated from areas immediately threatened by the fire. No structures have been lost. Evacuation orders are still in effect; however individuals can be escorted for emergency purposes (e.g. medications and pet care).

The fire burned on private land within the city limits and is under jurisdiction of the City of Flagstaff. Areas west of Flagstaff have benefited from forest thinning and ground fuel treatments over the past several years which aided firefighting efforts. In addition, effective multiple agency coordination and quick response by both ground and air operations aided in this success.

The community at large thanks those who have cooperated to support firefighting and evacuation efforts.

Current Resources:

- 7 twenty-person hand crews (including 3 Hot Shot Crews); approximately 12 multi-agency engines; and air attack is available as needed.
- Approximately 240 personnel are assigned to the fire
- Contributing agencies and organizations include:
 - Flagstaff FD, Summit FD, Highlands FD
 - City of Flagstaff
 - Coconino County Emergency Services
 - American Red Cross
 - Flagstaff Police Department
 - Coconino National Forest
 - National Park Service
 - Arizona Department of Transportation
 - Arizona Public Service (APS)
 - Flagstaff Unified School District

For more information, please call the Emergency Operations Center at (928) 556- 2300.